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PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

School uniform: This week we have had a few missing coats/jumpers/cardigans~ **please make sure their name and class is written in or a name tag sewn inside.** If your child loses a piece of clothing in school, please inform class teachers as soon as possible and we will try to locate it in lost property.

Year 1 and 2 Visits to Normanby Hall – Our KS1 children have enjoyed 2 fantastic days visiting Normanby Hall as part of their History learning topic. A big thank you to all our families who supported in dressing the children for their visit in costume, staff at Normanby commented this year on how amazing our children were and how much knowledge they had about Victorian times. We are very proud of them!



Home/school agreement, if you haven't done this already this is in your child's reading diary, please read through and sign at the bottom, this helps us work together to support your child and their learning.

Dinner money – as you will see from the school dinner money policy that school lunches are to be paid in advance. That if you pay for your child's lunch and you're not entitled to free school meals you owe £2 on a Monday for that day's meal or £10 for the week. The school budget cannot afford any dinner money debts as this has to be used for the children's learning needs.

A big thank you to the local authority, electrical and ceiling contractors and our site manager Mr Singleton who have ensured the school refurbishments are now completed 4 weeks ahead of schedule. Our new sensor lighting systems in classrooms help the children focus and learn.

Visits~ In KS2, **Class 5/6T and Year 6** will be attending a visit to Eyam in Derbyshire – **6th October**. This will enhance the work they are developing around 'The Plague.'

Year 5 Kingswood Residential: Wednesday 28th February 2018 to Friday 2nd March 2018. To ensure your child gets a place please send the deposit with the consent form to school. Deposit books went out with letters to pay in small instalments.

Year 3 and Year 4 will be holding a 'Mighty Metal Madness' workshop (27th Oct) for parents to come and share fun times with their children.

Next week - MacMillan Coffee morning on Monday 25th September: This is always a very special day for a very special cause, join us for a cuppa and toast or biscuits and cakes baked by the children and staff from 09:00.

Individual School Photo's – Wednesday 27th September, our photographer will be in school taking all the children's photo's, you will then receive a proof to place your orders if you wish to buy 😊

Siblings who don't attend our school can come from 2:30pm for a family group photo.

James Nash, Poet, is visiting school on **28th September,** James has worked with us before and will be working with the children and staff that day to help our poetry writing for the national theme of 'Freedom'.

Artist Emma Bairstow is coming to our school over the next 3 weeks to train staff in new techniques and to plan exciting new learning opportunities for the children linked to their topics. Watch this space for new creative learning.

Applications for full time reception places in FS2 for September 2018 ~ the closing date is in January 2018. Applications are being encouraged online this year; for children attending our Nursery, please make sure you get your application in on time. More details can be found online at: <http://www.doncaster.gov.uk/services/schools/primary-admissions>

For our new parents/carers: The Superstar Awards are given to 4 children from each class in KS1 one week then KS2 the next week. They are children the staff and classmates have identified as showing one of our learning powers – teamwork, determination, trust, good talk, resilience, effort and kindness; and who have really stood out. The certificates are awarded in Celebration Assembly on Friday morning, their photograph is taken by Mrs Parish and put onto the school website and Twitter and is displayed in the front entrance of school each week. We also send out postcards home for good behaviour and great learning achievements and starting today each week a special group of children will be having hot choc Friday treat time. This is a special time together where we can celebrate our 'Always Children', those who are **always trying their best** and **always following our rules**.

ATTENDANCE WINNERS

This week's class winners on 97% attendance were class 3 / 4



Dates for your diary:

- Monday 25th September MacMillan coffee morning
- Wednesday 27th September – Individual School photographs
- Friday 6th October Class 5/6 and Class 6 trip to EYAM Plague Village
- Half term: School closes on Friday 27th October at 15:15
- Remembrance week Monday 6th November, children will have a special remembrance service with Mr Grimley before half term.

There is one more INSET teacher training day this term on Friday 1st December school will be closed for children that day as teaching staff are training.

With many thanks for your continued support and here's to another exciting year!

Mrs Faye Parish

Head Teacher